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This is in response to the outstanding office communication dated September 10, 2002. Any necessary fees in connection with this matter should be deducted from Deposit Account No. 01-1944.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute claims 1, 2, 5 and 6 for claims 1, 2, 5 and 6 of record. A copy of claims 1, 2, 5 and 6 as amended as well as a copy of claims 1, 2, 5 and 6 showing the amendments thereto is attached herewith.

↓ Please add new claim 7 as attached hereto.

REMARKS

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the priority documents submitted under 35 USC 119(a)-(d) which have been made of record.

The rejection of claims 2-5 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as failing to set forth the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention is respectfully traversed. Applicant has amended claim 1 and has converted claim 2 into an independent claim including all of the features of claim 1 as well as additional features defining the relationship between the first and second projections disposed on the lens holder. In amending claim 2, the last